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DECREASE IN THE ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN TOURISTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that there was a decline in the arrival of foreign tourists to the country during the year 2006-07;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether one of the reasons for the decrease in the arrival of foreign tourists was due to growing attacks on them across the country; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to prevent these crimes on foreign tourists?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) and (b): The number of foreign tourist arrivals in the country during 2007 was about 5 million, registering a growth of 12.4% over the corresponding figures of 2006.

(c) and (d): Do not arise.